

## Fiscal Note 2017 Biennium

Bill #	HB0570		Title: Revise	flood plain notification pro	ocess	
Primary Sponsor:	Fiscus, Clayton		Status: As Intro	oduced		
☐ Significant 1	Local Gov Impact	✓ Needs to be include	led in HB 2	Technical Concerns		
☐ Included in the Executive Budget ☐		☐ Significant Long-T	Significant Long-Term Impacts		Dedicated Revenue Form Attached	
		FISCAL S	SUMMARY			
		FY 2016 Difference	FY 2017 Difference	FY 2018 Difference	FY 2019 <u>Difference</u>	
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
General Fund		\$46,687	\$46,687	\$47,387	\$48,098	
Revenue:						
General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Net Impact-Gen	eral Fund Balance:	(\$46,687)	(\$46,687)	(\$47,387)	(\$48.098)	

<u>Description of fiscal impact:</u> HB 570 requires the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) to provide notice of orders of a designation of floodplain or floodway to titleholders of affected lands on orders issued since the year 2000. The number of affected landowners and their addresses would have to be researched and would likely require up to 5,000 thousand notices. DNRC has no current staff to allocate to meet the requirements of this bill.

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

## **Assumptions:**

- 1. DNRC would need to perform research to determine which titleholders to notice under HB 570. DNRC would then need to: prepare landowner lists; send out the required mailings under Section 2(5); and provide follow-up and outreach regarding the notices as it is likely questions about flood insurance and local floodplain requirements would follow.
- 2. To comply with requirements in this bill, DNRC would require 0.50 FTE water conservationist experienced in floodplain management and flood insurance. Salary and benefits would be approximately \$32,000 per year.
  - a. Operating expenditures for this FTE in FY 2016 would include the standard operating expenses of \$2,900 for an office package, computer, communication services, and supplies and materials.

- b. Additionally, the position would require the following annual operating costs for FY 2016 through FY 2019: \$808 in ITSD service changes; \$1,963 for rent; and 1,500 for travel (\$4,271 FY 2016 and FY 2017).
- 3. It is assumed that there would be approximately 5,000 mailings per year, at a cost of \$1.50 per mailing for the biennium (\$7,500 FY 2016 and FY 2017). However, the full extent of mailing costs cannot be known until the initial research is completed.
- 4. An inflation rate of 1.5% has been added in FY 2018 and FY 2019.

	FY 2016 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2017 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2018 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2019 <u>Difference</u>			
Fiscal Impact:							
FTE	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50			
Expenditures:							
Personal Services	\$32,016	\$32,016	\$32,496	\$32,984			
Operating Expenses	\$14,671	\$14,671	\$14,891	\$15,114			
TOTAL Expenditures	\$46,687	\$46,687	\$47,387	\$48,098			
<b>Funding of Expenditures:</b>							
General Fund (01)	\$46,687	\$46,687	\$47,387	\$48,098			
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	\$46,687	\$46,687	\$47,387	\$48,098			
Revenues:							
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):							
General Fund (01)	(\$46,687)	(\$46,687)	(\$47,387)	(\$48,098)			

## **Technical Notes:**

- 1. The intent of HB 570 is to <u>re-notice</u> to all titleholders affected by floodplain or floodway designations since 2000. Orders have already been adopted for the proposed designation of the floodplains or floodways. Currently, and in the past, appropriate cities and/or counties have determined the affected landowners and sent out individual notices in a partnership with DNRC.
- 2. Individual notice is already required under present law and has previously been carried out during any alteration or designation of a floodway or floodplain by the State of Montana as per 76-5-208, MCA.

Sponsor's Initials	Date	Budget Director's Initials	Date